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BGU Tuition Increase Probable

by Craig Hunt

If you think your tuition is high now wait until you return this fall. Tuition is expected to increase 3 percent for all Board of Governors Universities next fall, according to the Board of Governors Universities Representative Phil Coduti.

If the proposal goes through, full-time undergraduate students would pay \$54 more each year and full-time graduate students would pay an additional \$60. The increase would not only affect Governors State, but also Chicago State, Eastern Illinois, Northeastern Illinois and Western Illinois universities.

To part-time students on and off campus the increase if it goes through will be \$2.25 per credit hour for undergraduate students and \$2.50 per credit hour for graduate students. For out of state students the increase will be \$6.75 for undergraduates and \$7.50 for graduate students. The current tuition rates are \$77 per credit hour for undergraduate and \$81 for graduate students.

"I am proposing this increase to the Board after careful consideration and following discussion with the presidents, who are supportive of this recommendation," said Chancellor Thomas Layzell. "We are always reluctant to increase costs to students but are pleased that this is the smallest increase of all the public university systems this year so far."

The proposed increase is built into the Illinois Board of Higher Education's (IHBE) \$86.4 million budget recommendation, which Gov. Jim Edgar endorsed and fully funded in his fiscal 1995 budget proposal, according to a recent Associated Press story.

Layzell said the Governor's proposal, if approved, would significantly help the universities in some important areas, including salary equity. The BGU universities would receive general revenue increases ranging from 3.4 percent to six percent under the Governor's budget plan.

However, in comparison with other Illinois university systems, the three percent increase is the smallest. University of Illinois already has approved a 5.5 to 11 percent increase for next fall, depending on the students year of study.

The Board of Regents approved a 5 percent increase, and Southern Illinois University trustees are considering a proposal to raise tuition by 13 percent over two years.

Our tuition is still "the lowest of public institutions (of higher education) in Illinois," said temporary Provost Sven Groenings. The tuition increase is "without a fee increase" unlike other universities in the BOG system, he said. Other BOG universities face a fee increase from 0.7 percent at Western Illinois University to a 5.1 percent at Chicago State University.

Currently, at around \$130, GSU has the lowest fees in the system.

"There's little the board can do," said Coduti, because of IHBE budget recommendation endorsed by the Governor.

"I agree with the tuition hike," he added. "The university needs the money to expand." Plus, IHBE will allocate more funds to the financial aid amounts to offset the increase for those eligible to receive it, he said.

Coduti is scheduled to present the information about the proposed increase to the GSU Student Senate on Wednesday, March 23 so they can form a response which Coduti presents to the board.

"The students will have input," said Coduti, but he didn't think that the increase could be changed because the Governor endorsed it and the Chancellor recommended it to the board. Layzell asked for the increase as part of an expected inflationary increase and because there wasn't an increase last year and other university systems had significant increases last year, said Coduti.

In a letter Coduti received from Layzell, the message was that without the tuition rate increase the BOG universities must go into the red, he said.

Stand Up And Vote

by Andrea Bitter

GSU students need to realize who is representing our voice when we are unable to be heard. Getting out and voting in our student election is an essential element in keeping student government alive.

The student government election will be taking place Saturday, April 2, between 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. and April 4-6 between 8:30 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. Students can vote on these dates at the Welcome Center in the Hall of Governors. Every voter will receive a coupon good for a free refreshment in the cafeteria. Also, students may pick up a candidate's packet until March 28 at the Welcome Center. Collegial and at-large election seats are available.

GSU students can elect to send one non-voting member to the Board of Governors of State Colleges and Universities; and one voting member with an alternate to the Student Advisory Committee of the Illinois Board of Higher Education.

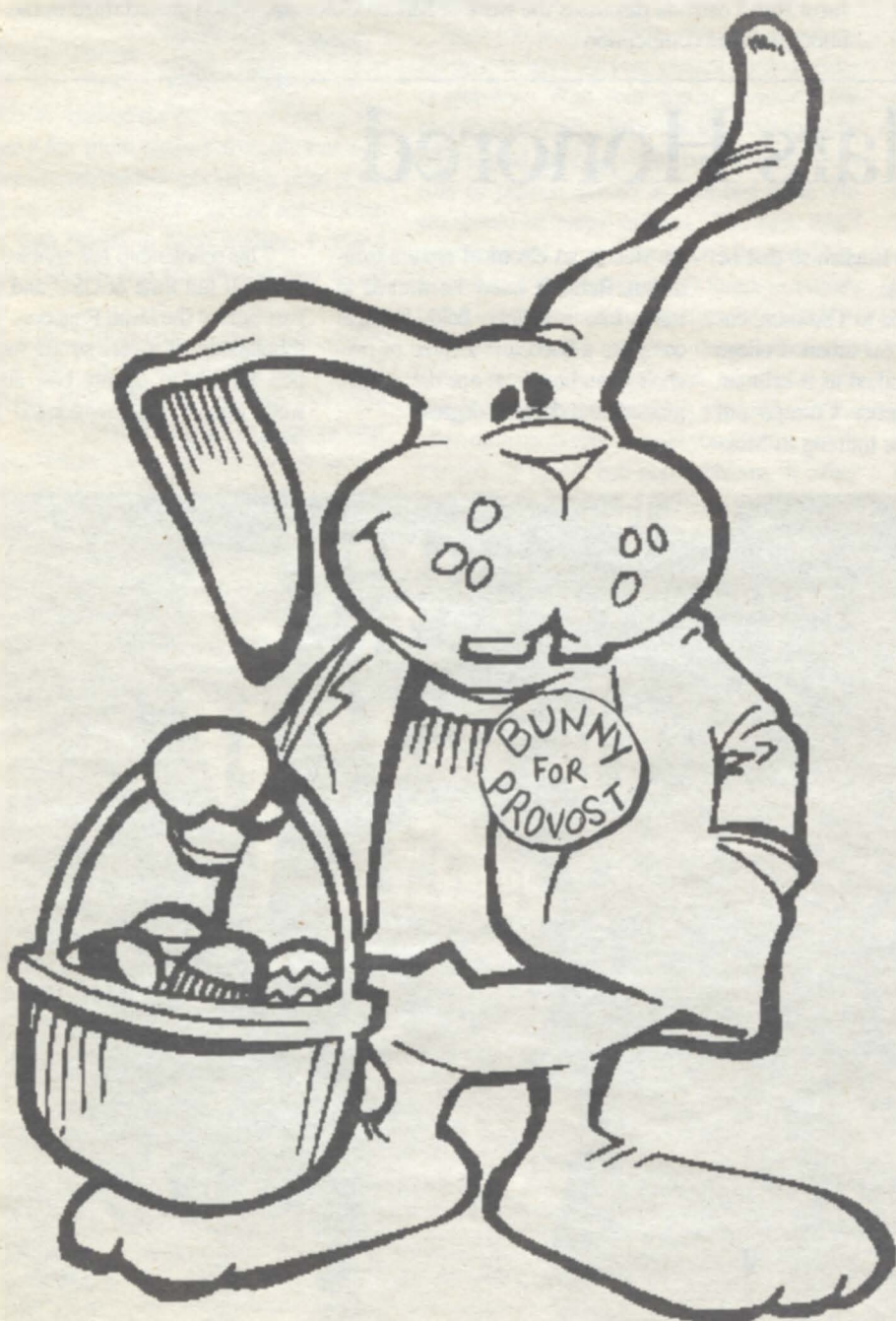
Our board governs not only GSU, but also Eastern Illinois University, Western Illinois University, Chicago State, and Northeastern University. The student who will represent us at the BGU attends all of the board meetings, participates in discussions, receives all of the minutes from the meetings, but cannot vote. Most importantly, the Student Board Member submits student issues and concerns for the board's consideration.

The IBHE is appointed by the Governor of the State of Illinois to oversee the governing boards of the various Illinois Higher Education systems. The members of the Student Advisory Committee have the important responsibility of advising the board and its staff on the views of the students and participating in the area of budget requests for the various institutions. There are other issues addressed by the committee: Student Financial Aid, guaranteed loans, tuition and fee levels, greater student input in the operations of the IBHE, the Illinois State Scholarship Commission, and the governing boards of the various institutions of higher education. The alternate position fulfills these duties when the representative is unable to do so.

GSU students will be voting on the following Student Senate positions: one College of Business and Public Administration (one year term), one College of Education (one year term), Student-at-Large (five, one year terms and one six month term), and the Board of Governors Program (one year term).

These Student Senators represent not only the students at large but also their own college. The senators represent students on university-wide committees, such as the Budget Board, Physical Resources and Search Committees. The elected student officials make recommendations on how university money will be spent, how the institution's space will be utilized and who gets hired for what.

Students need to acquaint themselves with the candidates and the issues at hand. As students we can only gain proper representation by exercising our right to vote.



Students Display Talent At Art Show

Photos by
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Juror Ray Yoshida (left) talks to George Morris about Morris's sculpture, which took third place in the graduate competition of the student art show. Winners not pictured include graduate Joyce Kasmer and undergraduate Terry Crane.



This painting by Luise Renner placed second in the graduate competition at the student art show in the E lounge gallery. The show was judged on March 11.



Sergio Gomez stands by his painting, which took third place in the undergraduate competition at the student art show.



Juror Ray Yoshida discusses the work of Maceo Coleman, which placed third in the undergraduate competition.

Latino Scholars Honored

Three talented students of Hispanic decent have been named recipients of Latino Achievement Scholarships at Governors State University.

The scholarships were presented to Diana Valdivia of Palos Park, Maria Gonzalez of Chicago's Hegewisch neighborhood and Jose Renteria of Sauk Village.

The scholarships are offered to outstanding undergraduate students who are transferring to GSU for the first time with a cumulative grade point average of at least 3.0 and enrolling for a minimum of nine credit hours and are U.S. citizens or of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Central, or South American heritage or cultures.

The three students may have the scholarship renewed for up to three additional trimesters if they continue to meet the academic criteria.

Valdivia is transferring from Moraine Valley Community College. She began her college career nearly 20 years ago at the University of Illinois at Chicago. She married and left school to raise a family but never gave up on her ambitions. She hopes to enter law school once she completes a bachelor's degree in psychology at GSU.

"I believe this is the perfect time for me to bring my career goals to

fruition. My children are all in school, and there's no time like the present," she told the selection committee.

Gonzalez, of the 128 block of Marquette Avenue in Chicago, has completed course work at Calumet College and Chicago State University. At GSU, she will major in communication disorders.

She has volunteered and worked in the Hispanic community coordinating recreational and social activities for senior citizens, working with families in need of crisis prevention, family and individual counseling, play therapy and parent education workshops for Head Start Programs, and organizing in-house lending libraries for preschool Hispanic children.

With the scholarship, Gonzalez said, "I can continue to be proof that education and perseverance have bountiful rewards—rewards that can open many doors to minorities."

Renteria arrived from Mexico to Chicago's South Deering neighborhood in 1986. He found employment

and improved his English so that he could attend college.

Renteria moved to Thornton, enrolled at South Suburban College part time, and worked as a bellman at the Hyatt Regency Chicago full time. Although his training in Mex-

ico was as an electrical repairs technician, Renteria knew he wanted to move into a college field. He will complete a bachelor's degree in psychology and hopes to one day receive master's and doctoral degrees.

This scholarship has enabled him to enroll full time at GSU and work part time at the Hyatt Regency. "[The scholarship] is a very strong motivation for me to do my best and do well. School has invigorated me," Renteria said.



Reading Recovery...

by Jennifer Graesser

In school systems of the past, many of us were barely reading in first grade. In classrooms of the 1990's, reading is required by first grade and students who fall behind are often given special assistance. Today, Governors State and Reading Recovery are solving reading ineptitude.

Reading Recovery is designed for students in lower elementary levels, usually first grade, who show signs of being at risk for reading difficulties. It assists the lowest 20 percent of first grade children. They learn to read and write within the average range of their peers in the least amount of time possible, usually 12-18 weeks. Each Reading Recovery instructor is allowed only four students at a time. Once selected, students begin intense, daily, one-on-one reading sessions.

In 1988, the Park Forest Elementary District wanted to implement the Reading Recovery program into their schools. Eventually, they formed a consortium with other school districts in south Cook county and Governors State University. Thirteen school districts and GSU form the Park Forest/GSU Consortium. Upon completion of the program, teachers may receive one graduate credit from GSU.

Bobbie Sievering attended the first Reading Recovery training class taught at the University of Illinois. She was sent by the Park Forest/GSU Consortium to be trained as a teacher leader. After her training, Sievering and Park Forest set up a teacher training site equipped with a one-way screen for training Reading Recovery teachers. She teaches fulltime at the Mohawk School at the Park Forest/GSU training center.

Presently, 21 districts in the Governors State University/Park Forest Consortium use Reading Recovery. Reading Recovery teachers are selected through their school districts which make a financial and educational decision to adopt the program into their district. In the GVSU consortium, there are 77 teachers trained in Reading Recovery. The average

success rate for the Reading Recovery program in the Park Forest/GSU consortium in the last four years is 95 percent. Nationwide, the success rate is 85 percent. Next year, Dr. Marie Meyer, site coordinator for Reading Recovery and director of the Thornton Fractional Educational Cooperative anticipates 101 trained Reading Recovery teachers.

Sievering, a classroom teacher for many years, became frustrated by not being able to reach children who were having trouble with reading. Sievering was excited to learn of Reading Recovery.

"Reading Recovery blends in with my own philosophy of teaching reading that teachers should work from the child's strengths and that each child is programmed differently and should be taught differently," says Sievering.

"The best part of my job is that I get to see dozens and dozens of children learn to read," adds Sievering. "I also help teachers become keen observers of children and become skilled at learning what each child needs."

The Reading Recovery teacher spends a half an hour with each child. Their lessons begin by reviewing words they learned the day before. The child then reads familiar books to the teacher who takes a running record of the child's progress. Rereading books allows the child to develop fluency and speed in reading.

After the story is read, the child will write his or her own story and read it to the teacher. The teacher writes the story down and cuts the story up into individual word sounds. The student must put the story back together in the correct order. At the end of the lesson, the teacher will introduce a new book and give the student several familiar books to read overnight.

Training requires the teacher to attend classes once a week for at least one year. Teachers are also periodically checked by their Reading Recovery supervisors who visit the teachers' classrooms to evaluate their progress and techniques.

Reading Recovery's success depends on the decisionmaking ability of the teachers. Teachers are trained to observe and assess the reading and writing skills of their students. They learn to interact with individual learning needs of each student.

"The training takes a lot of time, but all the teaching professionals who go through the program say it has changed their professional lives," said Dr. Meyer. "I have not known a comparable model."

Reading Recovery was originally designed by Marie M. Clay, University of Auckland, Auckland, New Zealand and former president of the International Reading Association. It was designed not only to instruct a teacher how to improve her student's reading skills, but more importantly it was designed to be used by educational systems to reduce reading difficulties in schools.

"New Zealand has the highest literacy rate in the world," said Dr. Meyer.

"The Reading Recovery model is similar to a medical doctor's training where one student performs behind a one-way glass while the others look on and critique," she said. Reading Recovery teachers critique each other from behind a oneway screen.

Reading Recovery was brought to the United States from New Zealand in 1984. The first program began at Ohio State University.

Clay and Barbara Watson, National Director of Reading Recovery in New Zealand, spent a year at Ohio State training teacherleaders and teaching one professor to train teacherleaders.

The University of Illinois in Champaign, started training teacherleaders in 1989. It is one of only 21 universities in the United States approved for preparing Teacher Leaders by the National Diffusion Network. Since this time, Reading Recovery has also been implemented in Arizona, South Carolina, Texas, Idaho, Indiana, Kentucky, New York, West Virginia, Wisconsin, Nova Scotia, and Scarborough, Ontario, Canada.

COUNSELING STUDENTS VISIT YOUTH CENTER

by Jill Disantis

On Tuesday, March 2nd, Dr. Mike Lewis and members of his Community Counseling class ventured from their classroom on the GSU campus over to Aunt Martha's Youth Service Center in Matteson, to gain a better understanding of the world around them.

Dr. Lewis feels this interaction with the services in the outlying communities will motivate his students. This also serves as an orientation for them into the real world. Lewis called Aunt Martha's "a multifaceted agency that gives his students a real understanding of the many services available to youth and adults in the community."

Aunt Martha's is a community based youth service center whose comprehensive programs offer help and support to children, youth, and families. Participation programs provide growth opportunities for youth and are available confidentially without charge. Aunt Martha's services include family and individual counseling/support groups, family preservation services and delinquency prevention and treatment, as well as many others. This is only part of the reason why Dr. Lewis feels as strongly about Aunt Martha's as he does.

While at Aunt Martha's, the students listened to members of the Health Unit talk about Women and Children's Services, members of the Counseling Unit talk about the Counseling Services, and members of the Employment Unit talk about Employment and Education Services. This interaction allowed the students to understand how important they will soon be in the communities they will serve. The opportunity to interact with professionals in these areas serve as a great learning experience. Nina Albrecht, Assistant Director of Public Relations for Aunt Martha's, said "Aunt Martha's always enjoys site visits from GSU counseling students. It is very important to expose students to what is going on in the communities around them. I feel a visit such as this provides a successful learning experience for all those involved."

Construction Slowly Progressing

by Karen Schoenberg

Although it may seem never-ending, the construction work being done on campus is making progress. According to Mike Hassett from the Physical Plant, the work on the main entrance is now 60% complete. Hassett feels the entrance should be completed around the middle of July.

Students can look forward to a change because the new entrance will be very different from the old main entrance. To create a bright, sunny, greenhouse effect, sloped glass will be used to surround the exterior of the entrance. The new area will most likely house admissions, financial-aid and the registrar's office. This will enable students to have a sort of "one-stop shopping" area for University related errands.

The new second floor will provide an extension for the library. 75 percent of the area will be devoted to a new open study area. This will

also be light and airy, with windows that look down into the foyer. Four or five new library offices are also being built.

To the relief of many students construction on the B-wing (the Student Life area) will be completed very soon. The main complaint directed towards the prolonged construction on the B-wing has dealt with the alternate route to Student Life. Fortunately, when the work is done it will no longer be necessary to brave the elements to get to Student Life. Besides creating new classrooms, construction on the B-wing has also provided Student Life with more booths, a kitchen area, and vending machines. The B-wing construction should be completed around the end of April.

While the construction has caused some inconvenience, Mr. Hassett says he thinks the students will think it's been worthwhile. Let's hope so. In the meantime it's a little more of the waiting game.

The Polygon Puzzles

The purpose of The Polygon Puzzles is to entertain our readers. Short answers to all puzzles are given elsewhere in the paper, and detailed explanations can be found in the Office of Student Development, room B1400.

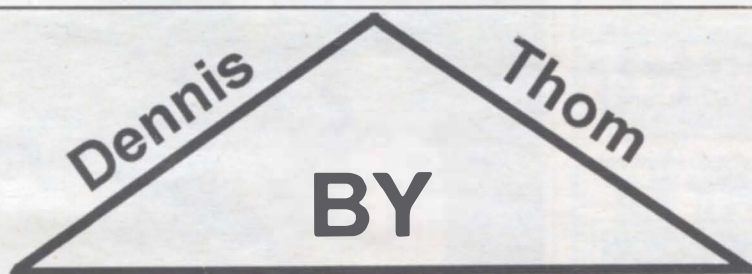
1. Bush, Clinton, Daley, and Edgar met for their Friday night poker game. Before starting to play, everyone shook hands. However, no player shook hands with another player more than one time. How many handshakes were there?

2. Mrs. March had four daughters, Beth, Meg, Jo and Amy. From the information given below, list the daughters according to age, from the youngest to oldest.

A. Jo was younger than Meg and older than Amy.
B. Beth was older than Amy and younger than Jo.

3. Mr. Candide rents a rectangular plot of land upon which to cultivate his garden. Mr. Pangloss had informed him that the dimensions of the garden would be changed. The length would be increased by 30% and the width would be decreased by 25%. Given that the original dimensions of the garden are irrelevant, which they are, will Candide's "new" garden have an area equal to, less than, or greater than the area of his original garden?

Answers to all problems on page 11.



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Dr. Reginald Wilson Speaks At GSU



Christianity, charity, fervor for the Declaration of Independence and the U.S. Constitution, and a pride in excellence in education are America's strongest principles.

But as willing as Americans are to recognize these strengths, these same principles often have been what separate us, according to Dr. Reginald Wilson, senior scholar at the American Council on Education.

Speaking at Governors State University, Dr. Wilson said the Christian tradition is the strongest in the western world. And while we can all speak of the influence religion has on American society, it has significant importance for minorities and the oppressed who have used it as a vehicle for social change, he explained.

As African-Americans began the struggle for civil rights, the movement's leaders came from primarily Baptist and Methodist churches, and the congregations often helped organize the demonstrations. Hispanics follow the Catholic Church's liberation theology approach that gives strength through scripture to their struggles.

America's charitable tradition grows out of its religion, but is separate as a secular tradition, Dr. Wilson

explained. "We give more to charity than any other western society. We hold it as the dominant expressive vehicle."

Yet charitable acts have been a way of suppressing others. For example, Spellman College in Atlanta, founded by northern missionaries in 1881 to serve the African-American population of the South, only elected its first African-American woman president in the 1980s. Decades after its founding, Spellman's administration and a disproportionate number of its faculty were whites. "In the 1920s, W.E.B. DuBois refused to speak at Spellman until one of its graduates was hired as a teacher there," Dr. Wilson told the audience. "It was a kind of benevolent racism; help(ing) the African-Americans but not recognizing their talents."

As fiercely proud as Americans are about the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution, it is only of late that all Americans are included under their protection. Initially, the authors of the Declaration wrote a stipulation that African-Americans came here against their will, but the line was deleted. The issue of slavery festered until the Civil War, Dr. Wilson explained. The Constitution also did not initially protect white men without property, women or African-Americans but has since been amended to include all Americans.

Americans tend to have very short memories on certain subjects, especially on access to education, Dr. Wilson believes. "We hold strong beliefs in excellence in education, but we differ on how to achieve that."

African-Americans, who often have not had as strong a foundation as whites entering college, ask that students be judged on their achievements at the end of college. The historical perspective points to how African-Americans were not allowed to learn to read or write. Their educational systems worked to meet the needs of the population by starting elementary schools and eventually founding colleges. "We forget that history and say they should start at the same position as others," Dr. Wilson said. "African-Americans are systematically being deprived (of educational opportunities) yet they (are judged) by the same standards (as whites)."

U.S. Takes The High Road On Human Rights

by T. Dean Fidan

U.S. Secretary of State Warren Christopher returned from a three day trip to China last week. He said that a wide range of differences resurfaced between the two countries during his visit. The U.S. is particularly miffed at China for her worsening human rights situation, which is indirectly threatening China's Most Favored Nation status with the U.S. coming for a review this spring.

After the high level talks during Christopher's visit, the Chinese Foreign Minister Qian Qichen put the blame for the rift in U.S.-China relations on a meeting that took place last month between John Shattuck, the Assistant Secretary of State for Human Rights, with Wei Jingsheng—China's leading dissident. Mr. Qian accused the U.S. for the diplomatic breakdown and for interfering in China's internal affairs.

Referring to Wei-Shattuck's meeting, Christopher called the meeting "appropriate," adding that the Chinese criticism was unjustified.

Last Fall the U.S. administration demanded the whereabouts of 235 political prisoners in China. The Chinese officials responded by providing for the whereabouts of 106 Tibetan political prisoners. These issues came to a head during the talks last week.

However, Christopher did manage to agree on certain other issues with the Chinese, such as reopening Chinese prisons to American customs officers to insure that the prison factories

in China are not making export products destined for the U.S. market. Chinese officials also agreed to investigate reports of jamming of Voice of America broadcasts into China. They also pledged to resume talks with the Red Cross that would inspect the Chinese prison conditions.

Christopher's aides later acknowledged the rumors that the Secretary almost canceled his trip because of the Chinese government's detention of dissidents. Christopher's decision to go ahead with the trip, they said, was to make clear to the Chinese officials in the most unambiguous terms what they have to do in the future to regain the renewal of their trading benefits.

On a related note, Amnesty International USA's new executive director, William Shulz, reaffirmed the commitment made by independent human rights organizations on human rights issues now emerging on the world stage. Increased "disappearances" and summary "executions" make it hard to identify and publicize the plight of individual victims, he said. "The resurgent ethnic tribalism we're seeing in Bosnia, the former Soviet Union, and elsewhere—often lead to very serious rights abuses." Freeing "prisoners of conscience" is high on the Amnesty International's future agenda. And so it seems, equally relevant and just as significant for the new U.S. State Department policy, especially in its relations with the changing international community.

Annual Alumni Fund Phonathon In Full Swing

by Yolanda Peck

The Governors State University Alumni Association has been conducting its fourteenth phonathon, since March 13, and will continue through March 31. Its aim is to reach the 2700 members and 18,000 alumni before spring break.

Meeting the \$90,000 goal for Phonathon 1994 should present no problem because most alumni are eager to give back to the university. The previous phonathons have been very successful, according to the Director of Alumni Relations, Ms. Ginni Burghardt.

The money donated is for a good cause: to support student awards, the students child care center and special professional development. Also, money is allocated to the library and to numerous other recipients, said Burghardt.

The Alumni Association is in need of volunteers to donate their time to raise pledges between the hours of 6:30 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. A light dinner is at 5:30 p.m., followed by a brief explanation of calling procedures. Sunday dinner begins at 4:00 p.m., with calls made between 5:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. Student participation is vital to the Phonathon's success.

Ms. Burghardt knows that donors are out there just waiting to support Governors State University in this effort.



Volunteers hope to stuff this pig with alumni contributions.

(Photo by Steve Reid)



A festive atmosphere keeps things light at the Alumni Association Phonathon.

Rep. Balthis Advises Journalism Students



by Megan Campbell

Representative Bill Balthis (R-40) came to Governors State to speak to Professor Walter Perkins' newswriting and reporting class on Wednesday, March 9.

Representative Balthis, of the 79th Representative District, gave his

views of the press, shared stories of his relationship with reporters, and even gave advice to the journalism students present.

A journalist, according to Balthis, should not do a story that "they feel in their heart" is not right. "It's time to personally involve yourself when something is going wrong," said Balthis. "A journalist should pursue concerns, not on feelings, but rather on an objective point of view, so as to not put yourself into the story."

Balthis feels that a public official's private life is personal information that the press should not deal with it. The press should try to "depersonalize" themselves, for reporting should be objective and personal feeling should not be inflicted, according to Balthis.

Balthis, who has no experience as a reporter, went on to say that personal life is not a press issue and is

an area off limits to the press. However, a story concerning the misuse of money is something the press should "be into," because it is an issue of public interest, he said.

Balthis was also outspoken on a reporter's need to establish good relationships with public officials. He believes that most officials want to share things with the press, and by going off the record with a politician from time to time in order to form a feeling of trust, the journalist will be more likely to receive good information in the future.

Balthis feels that going off the record can be an effective tool for creating these relationships, and can help a reporter in staying objective while covering a story. Often times politicians who go off the record either don't want to answer questions or sometimes want to help the journalist understand what a story or problem is about, according to

Balthis. He went on to say that the press "should accept that."

Senator Aldo DeAngelis (R-40) is someone Balthis admires for promoting good relations with the press. DeAngelis, according to Balthis, enjoys this relationship because he has an honesty in the way he says things, which insures a mutual feeling of trust with the media. This type of relationship with the press takes time to create, said Balthis.

When asked about governmental leaks to the press, Balthis says that the writer is often "being used" in these instances. If the leak is factual and the press can find corroborating information, Balthis says it is okay. Although using leaks can be a disservice if the information cannot be supported.

Balthis was introduced by GSU President Paula Wolff, who said

Balthis was an educator who possessed integrity and great values, and was a proponent for Governors State. The president also noted that Balthis is a supporter of the university and a knowledgeable observer of Springfield.

In a later phone interview, Balthis said that he supports GSU through the legislative process. The university is a high priority for the budget proposal, which calls for additional money for on-campus projects, Balthis said.

This spring, Balthis is also planning on reintroducing an immunization bill that will apply to GSU students.

Balthis said that he enjoyed speaking to the class, adding that the question/answer part of the presentation was enjoyable for him. Balthis had high praise for GSU, saying he is "proud of the university."

South Suburban Crisis Center Helps Victims Of Abuse

by Jennifer Graeser

This is part one of a two part series.

She never had a serious relationship with any man. Now she had a serious problem. Frequently her fiancé yelled at her, pushed her, or pinched her arms. Afterwards he would tell her he was sorry, that he loved her, and would never harm her again. Her self esteem plummeted, yet she defended him to her friends. Gradually, she realized she was a victim of abuse. How had this happened to a girl from a stable, loving, upperclass family?

Imagine yourself in an emergency room frightened, embarrassed, and injured. Nurses and doctors scurry around you taking your blood pressure, temperature, and X-rays; mending a broken limb; or patching an open wound. No one asks how you ended up in the emergency room. Inside you are desperate for, yet afraid of getting help. You don't know who to turn to. You have been beaten badly by your spouse and you fear that if you seek help, your abuser will only harm you more. One-fourth of all women brought into an emergency room are victims of domestic violence.

The Crisis Center for South Suburbia (CCSS) realizes that victims of domestic violence do not escape age, race, and social and economic class. The center is a nonprofit, volunteer based organization providing temporary, emergency shelter and social services for individuals and families victimized by domestic violence.

The center also offers counseling for women and children individually or in groups. Outclient counseling enables women and children to continue counseling after leaving the shelter. Women and children may also choose to attend counseling without shelter.

Court advocacy is offered by the center for women who are unfamiliar with the court system. Staff and volunteers walk victims through entire legal processes, even attending court dates with them.

Rent is also paid by the center for qualifying victims. For victims who are unable to go home for fear of harm, a private fund at the center provides a security deposit up to \$500 and first month's rent.

The center educates the community by speaking at Lion's Clubs, church groups, schools, and other organizations.

Pediatric physician residents are contracted to visit the center once a month and examine the children.

The center provides professional internship training, volunteer training, men's counseling, and a 24-hour hotline for crisis intervention, referral services for those who have problems other than abuse, and information free of charge.

Without the dedication of its more than 200 volunteers, the center would not function.

"There's a lot of evil in the world and our volunteers are people who know they can't change the world, but they do believe they can make a difference," said volunteer coordinator Jackie Small.

Small, also a part time real estate broker, has been with CCSS for 18 months. She has noticed that the volunteers use their talents to create solutions for any obstacles that may arise at the Center.

"We listen to the volunteers and they tell us how to make the volunteer program a success," added Small. "The best part of my job is that I have met some people who will stay in my heart for the rest of my life because they are so giving of their time and I have learned so much from them. They are the type of people who inspire you to give your best."

Barbara Najib is one of those inspiring people. She has been volunteering at the crisis center for 13 years after becoming interested in the crisis center from an advertisement in a local newspaper.

"It's rewarding to see the changes the center has been through," says Najib. "I've seen it grow from a room in a community center to the shelter in Tinley Park."

Najib volunteers on the hot line. She says that her job is constantly challenging and that there is always something new and different.

"Some people who call don't necessarily need shelter, they may just need someone to talk to," says Najib. "When someone calls who is very emotional and upset and maybe can't even talk for a couple of minutes, I help them through their problems and get them to realize they need help. You can't tell them to do this or that."

Najib says the most rewarding part of her job is to see someone receive help from the shelter and watch their life take a positive direction. The hardest part is seeing women go back into an abusive situation and to see the children who come through the center.

"There are very few women who come here without children. Your heart goes out to them," says Najib. "Without the moms changing, the kids won't change."

During her thirteen years of volunteering at the center Najib says, "The volunteers I've met are great people. It's been fun."

Roberta (Bobbie) L. Noonan, Ed.D., president of CCSS, agrees that a large part of the success of CCSS is the spirit of its volunteers and staff.

"The volunteers are totally committed and unselfish of their time and money. Our clients truly feel like they are in a cocoon of warmth and protection," says Noonan.

"Our staff, too, is highly dedicated, they put in 4550 hour work weeks while only getting paid for 40 hours," says Noonan. "I really think the center gives as comprehensive care as possible to our women. The community really nurtures the center."

Noonan began her term as crisis center president in October 1993, taking the place of Trisha Goldberg, who served as president from 1991-1993. Her first involvement with CCSS began when she was a faculty member at Moraine Valley Community College. When the

center needed an advocate to gain zoning rights, Pat Bouchard, CCSS president from 1985-89, asked Noonan if she would help out. Noonan began learning more about the crisis center's history and mission.

Then, she was appointed chairperson of the capital campaign committee that raised money for the new shelter.

"After I took my first tour of CCSS I was committed," said Noonan who was later invited by Goldberg to sit on the board of directors and eventually serve as vice-president under former CCSS president Goldberg.

"Bobbie is a tremendous model to all of us," says Goldberg. "While raising seven children she received her bachelor's, master's, and doctoral degrees. She then set up eleven Bobbie Noonan Day Care Centers, three in Florida and eight in the southside of Chicago. I asked her to be on the board of directors at CCSS when she was on the fundraising committee for building the new shelter. After she was on the board she just blossomed. Bobbie started out committed and grew even more committed."

Since resigning as president of CCSS Goldberg sits on the centers board of directors, chairs the volunteer advisory council, and works on the financial oversight committee.

"There's an old joke that CCSS presidents don't quit, they are recycled," says Goldberg laughing.

More and more women and children will need centers like the crisis center according to the national statistics on domestic violence. Every 12 seconds in the United States a person is beaten by a family member and 95 percent of those victims are women and children. Domestic violence results in more injuries that require medical attention than rape, accidents, and muggings combined. This year four million women will be involved in incidents of domestic violence.

Founded in 1978 and incorporated in 1979, CCSS serves 10 townships:

Bloom, Bremen, Calumet, Lemont, Orland, Palos, Rich, Stickney, Thornton, and Worth. Services, however, are available to anyone in need regardless of residency. The center has provided shelter and social services since 1981.

The Center operated for 13 years in a three-bedroom farmhouse on the campus of Moraine Valley Community College in Palos Hills. Gradually it outgrew these facilities and

Moraine needed the space for a performing arts center.

Sen. William Mahar, a Republican from Orland Park, asked Gov. James Thompson about the possibility of moving the shelter to state-owned land in Tinley Park. Thompson and Tinley Park officials agreed to the request. Over one million dollars were raised for the new facility through celebrity softball games, personalized bricks, and widespread publicity.

Located today at 7700 Timber Drive, Tinley Park, the Center can house up to 35 women and children each night in five bedrooms including one designed for handicapped women. Outside children can play in a protected courtyard surrounded by the walls of the U-shaped shelter. The playground was donated by Chicago White Sox players' wives. Double locked doors, an intercom system, and a large front window ensure safety from unwanted visitors. Volunteers monitor the entrance at all times.

Currently, CCSS receives funding by the Illinois Department of Public Aid, the United Way, state and federal grants, private donations, corporations and foundations, and special fundraising events.

In 1993 CCSS served 4,464 women and children, a 21.2 percent increase from 1992. Also in 1993 the Center sheltered 303 women and 456 children, more than a 30 percent increase from 1992.

Part II will run in the April 4th issue of *The Innovator*.

Viewpoints...

Truth, or Consequences?

An *Innovator* Editorial

Did you vote last Tuesday? We've all heard the refrain, "...Well, if you didn't vote, then you've no right to complain about what goes on in politics." And, it's true. Let's face it, if you can't be bothered to participate in the election process by getting to a voting booth once every couple of years, then you'll have to take what you get.

We have a similar situation on this campus. If nothing else, the angry and, unfortunately, unsigned letter placed on the Wall of Truth this week indicates that all is not well here at GSU. This comes as no great surprise to us here at the *Innovator*.

The atmosphere on the GSU campus is so heavily biased toward the administration that our staffers can't find anyone to go on record with what they know. This is more than just lots of trouble for our staff. It represents a deplorable situation in which employees and even students feel threatened enough to remain silent, even on important issues which should be brought to light for the greater good of everyone in this university.

FACT 1—At the risk of stating the obvious, GSU is not a private corporation, it is a public institution funded by tax dollars and tuition fees. Your money is being spent here—lots of it—in the name of higher education. Your interests as taxpayers and fee-paying students deserve representation.

FACT 2—No other media comprehensively cover this university, save the *Star Tribune*, that scion of journalistic integrity that stood quietly by while Chicago Heights was turned into a center of mob activity. No, it's our job alone at the *Innovator* to cover issues of importance to students and insist on representation and fair play from administration and faculty. We're the good guys. When we ask questions, it's because we have a reason and a right to know the answers. Elections will be held April 2 - April 6, in which the Board of Governor's student representative and the student senate will be selected. There is no longer an excuse for not getting involved, or at least taking the time to vote.

FACT 3—Have you noticed that people who stick up for their rights are universally respected and admired, while those who toady-up to authority are despised, by those in authority most of all? Whether you're a student or a university employee, you didn't forfeit your civil rights when you walked in the door.

So stand up and be counted, students, faculty, and administrators, or you'll just have to take what you get.

Random Musings

by Jason Hortacher

Well, it looks like Michael Jackson avoided a lengthy, potentially embarrassing trial by settling out of court for a sum larger than most Lotto jackpots. For that kind of money, he could have treated me like a farm animal.

But enough about Michael and on to things that really bug me, like really bad toupees, especially when worn by men who can afford the best that money can buy. (Guys like Sam Donaldson, Marv Albert, Burt Reynolds, Lou Henson, and many others.) Spend the money or deal with the glare! After all, nobody is fooled by cheap ratskin (and the velcro strip is a dead giveaway).

And now it's time for the Seinfeld ripoff; the "What is the deal with...?" section.

What is the deal with guys named Jerry and teenage girls? First there was Jerry Lee Lewis and now Jerry Seinfeld.

What is the deal with Rush Limbaugh's head? If it gets any larger, it is sure to pop. If Rush is lucky, it will happen during "sweeps"; what a ratings grabber!

What is the deal with Scottie Pippen's head? With all those grooves, it looks like his parents carried him around by palming his skull throughout his infancy.

On a positive note, he is sure to be working long after his basketball career is over. "Star Trek - The Next Generation" could save money on makeup by adding Scottie to the cast.

What is the deal with all these gun turn-ins? Of course any GSU student wishing to turn in a firearm may bring it to the *Innovator* office and they will receive a free copy of the paper.

What is the deal with Conan O'Brien's hair? He has enough to cover Rush Limbaugh's head. In fact, he may want to save the clippings and sell them to the aforementioned guys with bad toupees.

What is the deal with Tonya Harding? I hear Kathy Bates wants to play her in the made-for-TV movie that is sure to happen. The only problem is that when Kathy decides to hobble someone, she will definitely do it right (see *Misery* for an explanation).

Finally, what is the big deal about this whole "Whitewater" scandal? I prefer Dennis Miller's response to the whole thing, "It's Arkansas, how bad can it be?!"

That just about brings this column to a close. One last thing: this column will always appear under the heading "Random Musings." If you don't like it, just turn the page. If only everything in life was that simple...

Campus Life...

Since We In The Photo Department Have No Lives,
We Wanted To Know What Other Students Do For Fun.



Peggy Dammer, BOG

I play bingo and go to the Empress Riverboat Casino.



Cathy Rarey, M.I.S.

I sing at my church and try to find time to sleep.



Paula Knaack, COE, element ed.

I like to spend time with my fiance Dean Jennings.



Omar Saeed, BPA

I play racquetball and pingpong.

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Letters To The Editor

Student Complains About Innovator Story

To the editor

I am writing to clarify my statements as reported in the March 10th Innovator. While the article accurately reflects my personal sense of frustration with the length of this search, in no stretch of the imagination can it be considered a complete summary of the interview I had with Kathy Godfrey. Many of the quotes attributed to me are taken out of context, and I am completely misquoted pertaining to Dr. Carter. As I was no longer serving on the search committee when Dr. Carter's application was presented to the committee for consideration, any comment I could make could only be conjecture. I explained that Dr. Carter's application was not a product of the original search and selection process. When asked where the application came from I could only guess that it probably came as a personal recommendation to Paula and that she in turn asked the committee to study the vita. This is normal procedure and in no way implies that the

search process and/or committee was circumvented.

I also explained that Dr. Wolff had every right to place her own management team within the university, a team that would reflect her own vision for the university's growth and one that shared her values. It is not at all unusual in the business world for the management of a company to change when a new chief executive assumes control, so a changing of the administration in the university makes a lot of sense with the appointment of a new president. It is a search committee's responsibility to recommend an applicant for a position. It is the president's prerogative to make the final decision regarding the appointment.

As you can see, if everything I said had been reported in the article, a much more balanced and moderate view would have been presented. My views were presented in the article so as to present only the negative aspect. I am still concerned about the lack of a permanent dean in Student Affairs. I am still concerned that students do not receive equal

representation from our administrators. However, I am not impugning the search committee nor the selection process. The search committee members would not allow the process to be circumvented, for Paula or for anyone else.

In all fairness I believe that this letter should be published on the front page, just as the original article was. I do not believe that it will happen, so I will be satisfied to see it anywhere in the Innovator. Let it be known that I write this without any coercion from anyone, but only so that everything I said will be reported with clarity.

by Bob Hensle

After a two-hour pre-arranged interview and numerous fact-checking phone calls, Mr. Hensle was made aware of the entire content of the article prior to its publication and made no objection at that time.

Kathie Godfrey

Pus In Our Milk?

by Erin Williams

This is a warning to consumers about genetically engineered hormones, antibiotics and pus in your milk and dairy products.

Beginning on February 3, 1994, milk, cheese, butter, ice cream, yogurt, beef, and infant formula sold and consumed throughout the U.S. will be laced with a genetically engineered recombinant bovine growth hormone (rBGH) also known as "bovine somatotropin" or BST. Its use has been approved without long-term testing.

The FDA will not require labeling of the milk and other dairy products though 90% of consumers favor labeling of rBGH products so they can avoid buying them.

The FDA is aware of the numerous side effects of rBGH in cows such as udder infections (mastitis), severe reproductive problems, persistent sores, and lacerations, just to name a few.

rBGH can also make humans sick and the FDA is aware of this. rBGH use in cows leads to increased amounts of pus and bacteria in milk. rBGH use may lead to greater antibiotic and chemical contamination of milk and dangerous resistance to antibiotics in the human population.

Use of rBGH use will even increase the federal deficit. According to the federal Office of Management & Budget, rBGH will cost taxpayers between \$300 million and \$500 million over the next six years for increase supports in milk. In addition to that, many farmers will go bankrupt.

Call the thirteen companies listed below to tell them you will not support their rBGH products until you have written assurance their products will remain rBgh free:

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1130 17th Street, N.W. Suite 300
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Adult Survivors of Sexual Abuse Meet

by Pam Bax

Adult Survivors Sexual Abuse Program (ASSAP) has had two group meetings. ASSAP participants expressed a desire to tell other students how much the group is helping. Below are two short articles which *The Innovator* agreed to print. We are hopeful that other students will want to free themselves of issues related to sexual abuse and will want to become a part of a support group that will assist them to work through their issues to move from being a victim to becoming a survivor. To be a part of ASSAP, please contact Pam Bax, Outreach Counselor, Office of Student Development, at Ext. 5031 for a confidential meeting.

"To all you survivors of sexual abuse:

Don't let your past hold you back. Come talk to others who have been through the same issues as you have. By talking about and learning how to deal with the issues relating to sexual abuse, you'll strengthen your spirit and move on with your life as a survivor rather than a victim. I know from experience. I'm a survivor and ASSAP (Adult Survivors Sexual Abuse Program) group has helped."

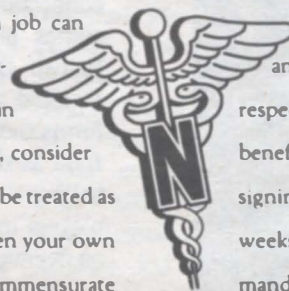
A Survivor Not a Victim

"Beyond survival means life and living life to its fullest. The word survival means for me to break loose the chains of silence and secrecy to no longer be handicapped by my fears, and to be able to let down my guard (shield) and to trust again. It frees me to catch a vision for my life and not just sit on my hands and watch it go by, but reach out my hand and grasp (achieve) the vision. Survival frees my mind and conscience of guilt, shame and hopelessness. Survival will allow me to make peace with my past so that I can move on with my life. Group therapy is a key element to moving toward survival. Group therapy has helped me to see I am not alone. I'm not the only one that hurts because of sexual abuse. In group, I'm learning to trust and to move past my fears. My plea is for other students to reach outward with other survivors before the past turns them inside out."

A fellow survivor!

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Music Reviews



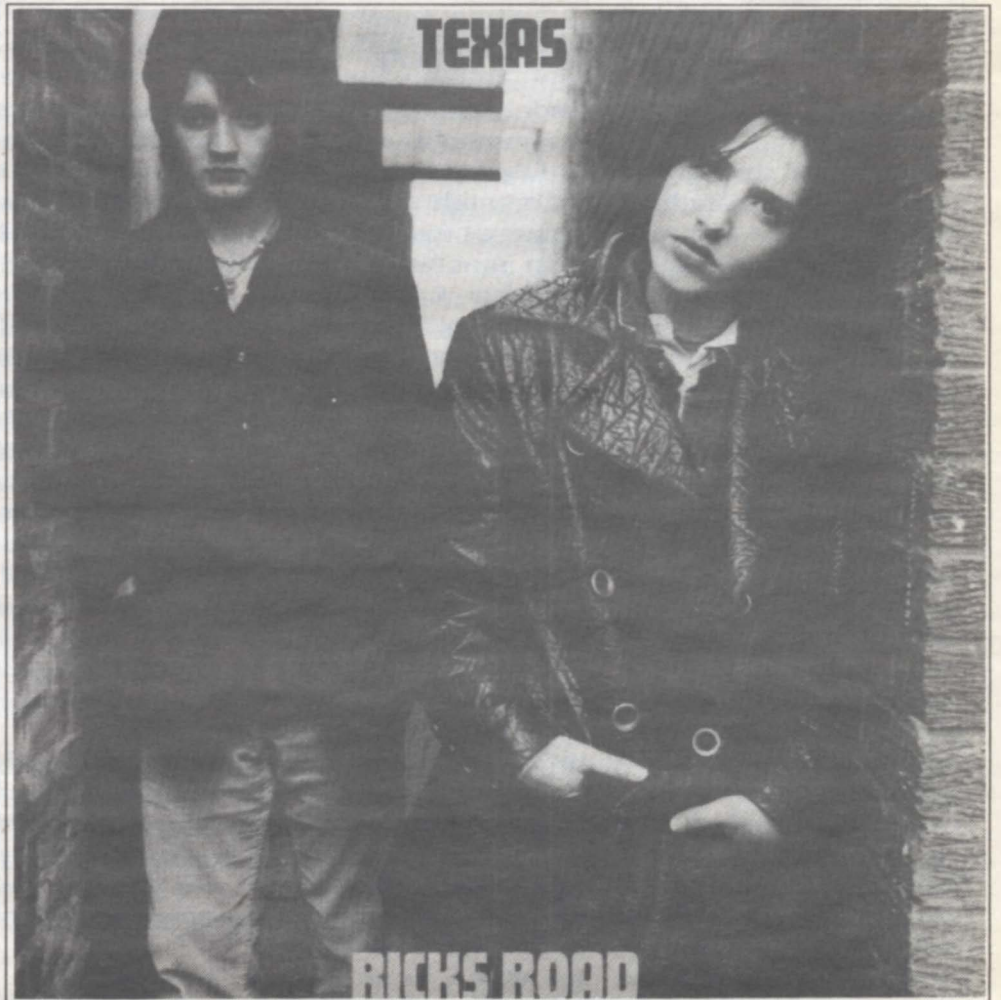
Texas Occupies Familiar But Tasteful Territory

TEXAS
RICKS ROAD
by Jeff Dinelli

Though one of the more logistically confusing releases in recent memory, Texas — a band which hails from Glasgow, Scotland — travels the backroads of American folk-rock to fine effect on Ricks Road, their third release for Mercury Records. The relaxed and confident band, led by the rich wurlitzer/ B3 organ work of Eddie Campbell and Ally McErlaine's ringing blues guitar riffs, provides a rootsy vehicle for singer/guitarist Sharon Spiteri's passionate, handsome vocal work.

Immersing themselves in the ambience of historic Bearsville Studios in Woodstock, New York, Texas (whose name stems from their love of Ry Cooder's slide guitar work on the soundtrack for Wim Wenders' 1985 film "Paris, Texas") wears the influence of those who graced the recording facility's hallowed halls rather well. "Fearing These Days" sounds like a lost track from the classic Dylan/ Band collaboration "The Basement Tapes." Spiteri, who has no noticeable accent, cooks up a dead-on Janis Joplin impression on "You Owe It All To Me," and puts her own beautifully tough stamp on "So In Love With You" and the should-be hit "Listen To Me," which soars due to a tasteful string section backing.

Spiteri shines on the excellent cover of Al Green's "Tired Of Being Alone" (a U.K. Top 20 hit) and the gospel swing of "You've Got To Live A Little" (which features a cameo vocal performance by Sister Rose of Sly & the Family Stone fame). Spiteri's clearly the focal point of this outfit, but her commanding presence wouldn't be nearly as effective without the skillful backing of this impressive band, who openly reveal their indebtedness to the influences of 60's Woodstock, and stake out a plot of their own in already well-covered territory. Nothing new here, but Ricks Road is impressive nonetheless.



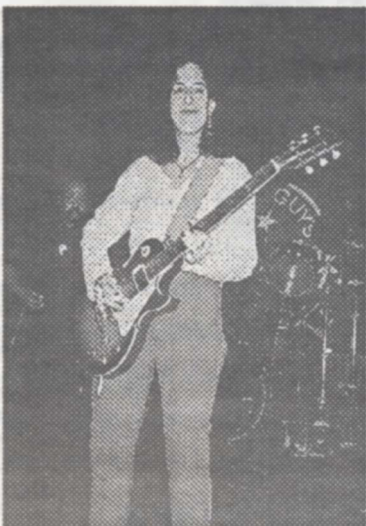
More Blues for You

by William R. Kolstad
with Photos by Rita Dee

The first weekend of March was a very special blues weekend for me. On that Friday night I got to see the Chicago area return of Joanna Connor at Legends. Since I saw and wrote about her last summer, she has been very busy touring. She was all over Europe and America since then and on her Chicago stop she showed just how much energy she has. So much energy that she kept played through the night until closing. Also as an observation I would also have to say that she looks absolutely fabulous after the tour.

Joanna played the guitar with a vengeance and it was obvious that she has missed the Chicago audiences. She played with so much intensity and passion that it was like watching someone making love to their music. Her band was quick to tap into this musical energy and kept up right along with their leader.

The night was made even more special for her because of the presence of some of her family members, most especially her son. This five year old boy whose father, Stan Mixon, plays bass for the band was a joy to behold.



The Energetic Joanna Connor

together. I'd like to bet that in a few years from now he'll be starting a promising musical career of his own. Until then his parents will be playing around the world and teaching him the blues.

The next night I was quite happy to have finally seen a living legend of musical history. John Mayall played at Legends and he showed how much staying power he has. The singer, guitarist, keyboardist, and harmonica player truly displayed his versatility and his deep blues connection. Mayall began in England in the early sixties playing what later became known as the British Blues. His band, the Bluesbreakers, has featured many of the greatest players of all musical forms including Eric Clapton. Many people refer to John as the "Father of the British Blues". I tend to believe that he opened the door for many Blues players in Europe and he gave many British players an avenue to recognition in the States.

John Mayall's current album, *Wake Up Call*, was nominated for a Grammy award that he eventually lost out on due to the strong competition by one of his mentors and contemporaries, Buddy Guy. In the true spirit of sportsmanship and genuine respect Buddy and John jammed together playing some of

the truly classic blues songs that are a part of the blues experience. Mayall's current lineup of the Bluesbreakers gave new life and sound to many numbers from John's older material. That along with songs from his current album kept the pace up. He also paid homage to some of the men who created the Chicago Blues sound and inspired him to play.

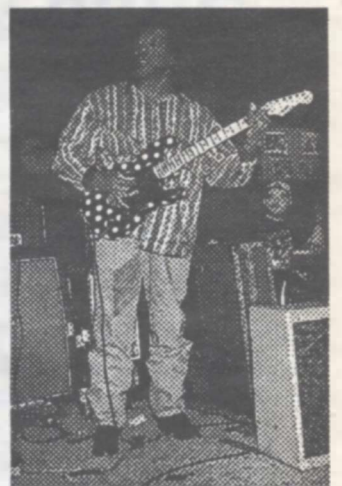


John Mayall on guitar

I certainly was impressed with John Mayall. For a man who has been in the music business for over thirty years, he still plays with teenage enthusiasm. The man was hardly still all evening, and often was playing keyboard and harmonica at the same time. His voice sounded as good as ever and he gave the standing room only audience a show that was one of the best I have ever attended. It is too bad that only one Grammy was given because there is much in his music that deserves the recognition. Until Later!



John Mayall plays it all!



Chicago's Grammy Award Winner Buddy Guy

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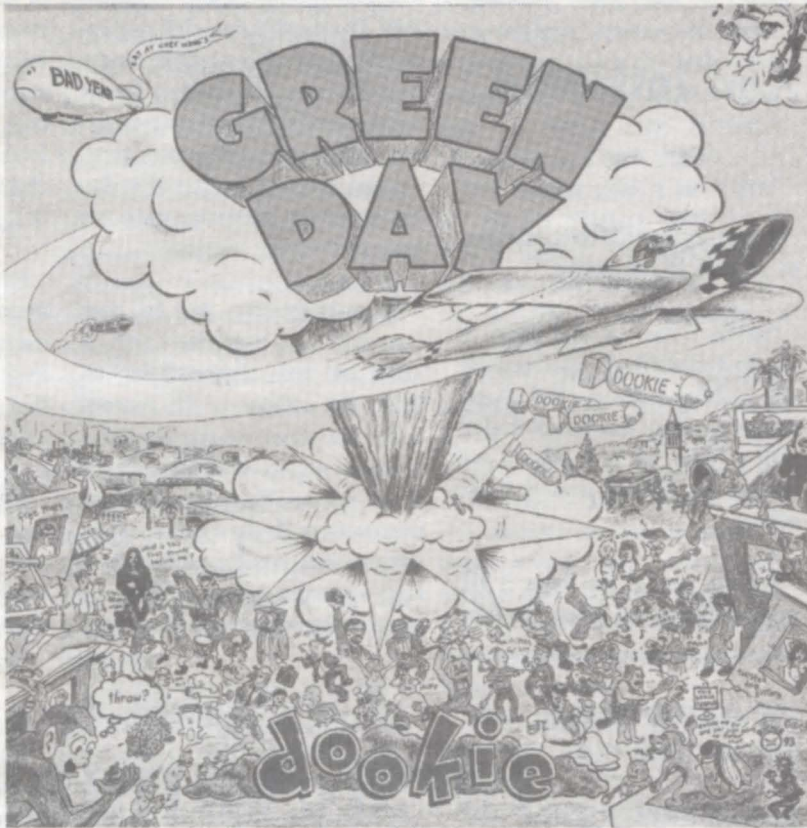
GREEN DAY
DOOKIE
by Jeff Dinelli

For moshers and homebodies alike, Dookie is the latest from Green Day, a young, punky, power-pop trio who have put together the first essential album of 1994. Run out to your nearest record store and pick this up immediately, for the melodic strength and carefree demeanor of Dookie is guaranteed to push your fun button.

From "Burnout" through the first single, "Longview," the record gains melodic momentum, peaking on "Welcome To Paradise," an overdriven Descendents-like hummer. Green Day specializes in a hyperkinetic but clear brand of guitar rock, with a melodic, beach blanket sound that's sparked by some unexpected hardcore-inspired moves.

Lyricaly, Dookie is dominated by existential anxieties and slacker mini-anthems that serve as reminders that hardcore was fueled not only by societal injustice, but by a damaged psyche as well. There are a couple of dumb bummers mixed in amidst the fun ("She," "Coming Clean"), but the music is so good you won't even notice.

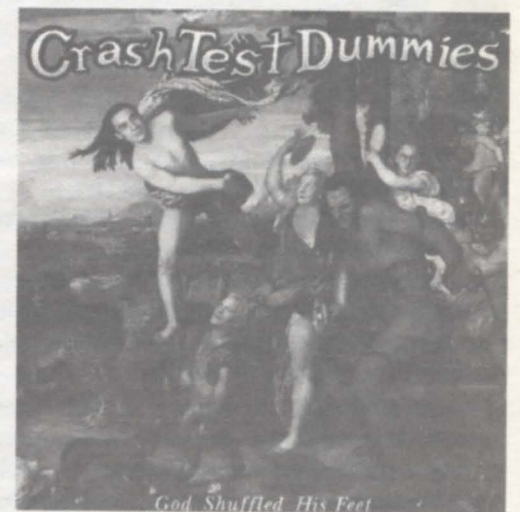
Layout's Note: We in the layout department believe the aforementioned "She" is not a "dumb hummer" as our esteemed music critic so eloquently stated, but in fact, is second best only to the awesome "Welcome To Paradise."



Unique Voice Carries Album

CRASH TEST DUMMIES
GOD SHUFFLED HIS FEET
by Steve Reid

God Shuffled His Feet, the second release from the Crash Test Dummies, is not going to win any awards for writing. A lot of the lyrics are silly, bordering on nonsense ("If your eye got poked out in this life, would it be waiting up in heaven with your wife?") But no one said you had to be Shakespeare to make good music. Brad Roberts' unique voice easily overcomes any inadequacies in writing by creating a fun, almost mesmerizing album.



The first single, "MMM MMM MMM MMM," has hit it big on the local alternative radio stations, propelling God Shuffled His Feet up the college radio charts. One listen to the song and it's easy to see why it is so popular. Roberts' voice is backed by an airy piano and acoustic guitar to form a perfect, engrossing mix.

The rest of the album is a collection of oddities that somehow fit together to form a cohesive set of 12 songs. The inclusion of such instruments as mandolin, accordion, and harmonica adds to the distinctive sound of the Crash Test Dummies. Some highlights on the album are the uptempo "Afternoons & Coffeespoons" and the whimsical, drum driven "How Does A Duck Know?" Although not all of the songs work, enough do to make this an enjoyable listen.

Communication Students Enjoy Open House

The Division of Communications held its open house on Tuesday, March 15 and Wednesday, March 16 in the Department of Communications office. Students from the Basic Television Production class (photo on right) mingled with other communication students and professors while enjoying food and refreshments.

In the photo below, media communications major Daniel Foster is caught off guard as he pours himself something to drink.



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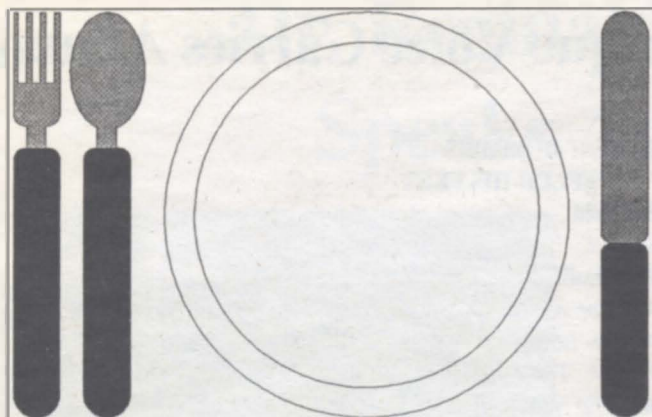
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EATS

by Ann Juttelstad

This is the first in a series of reviews of restaurants and eateries near the GSU campus. Finding good food can be as difficult as getting an 'A' on a calculus exam; it takes lots of study and careful consideration. I will make my best effort to find the places that are accessible and affordable, and I will try to steer you clear of the dives. With this in mind, I must start off with our very own GSU cafeteria.

The Governors State Cafeteria

A change in management has greatly improved both the selection and the quality of the food at GSU.

Newly available are stirfry dishes, which may be ordered vegetarian, and are cooked up fresh so the customer can regulate the amount of oil used in the process. Other ethnic foods are also on the menu, with

offerings such as red beans and rice, or corned beef and cabbage.

Healthy eaters are also happy to see the availability of baked potatoes with assorted toppings, and an expanded salad bar that is kept stocked with a variety of fresh veggies and condiments. Fat free dressing is also offered.

For the rest of us, there is the newly added pizza kitchen, featuring

Connie's Pizza. The portions are generous, and the quality is more than acceptable from this Chicago area standard. The grill is still available for burgers and fries, although the fry serving size has been severely reduced since the change in ownership. The usual soups, chili and entree items are also available, and a new offering is the Chicken Caesar Salad; a combination of romaine lettuce with a garlicky Parmesan dressing and generous portion of grilled chicken breast. Very good value and made fresh for the customer.

Beverage selection, too, has been expanded, with a greater variety of juices and belly washes being offered. The addition of the gourmet coffee line gives the opportunity to try some very good blends and flavored varieties. There needs to be an improvement in the labeling of the gourmet line, and the staff needs to keep a sharper eye on refilling the pots, but there is nothing like a good

cup of coffee for a break before a 7:30 class.

There have been some staff changes in the food service area, and there has been a resultant slowdown of service while the new staff gets used to the system. I trust the learning curve has been reached, and that we will see some improvement in both the speed and efficiency of the food service workers. They are a cheerful bunch, though, and seem to be trying to please.

Prices have risen according to the improvement in quality, but the overall value of the new establishment is good. It would be hard to find cheaper meals even in fast food joints.

All things considered, the reorganized, rejuvenated GSU cafeteria gets a solid 'B' and will look forward to seeing more good eats in the future.

Queen's Knight Out

by J. B. Godfrey

One interesting aspect of Kasparov's Gambit is the graphics. Computer graphics have come along way and Electronic Arts has furthered the progress. During the game Kasparov will actually talk to you, which in itself is amusing.

I believe Kasparov's Gambit will encourage players to learn more about chess. When it comes to developing chess programs, I believe Electronic Arts will be a strong contender.

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| 1. e4 c5 | 10. Qd4 00 | 19. Bc1 Nc3 | 28. Bb2 c5 |
| 2. Nf3 Nc6 | 11. Bg5 Rb8 | 20. Qc2 d6 | 29. Rg3 Nd4 |
| 3. Bb5 a6 | 12. Nc3 Rb2 | 21. Ba3 Rc6 | |
| 4. Ba4 Nf6 | 13. Nd5 Rc2 | 22. Re3 Bf5 | |
| 5. d4 cd4 | 14. Ne7 Qc7 | 23. Qd2 Nb5 | |
| 6. oo Bc7 | 15. Ng6 Qel | 24. Qd5 Rc2 | |
| 7. Rcl b5 | 16. Rel hg6 | 25. h5 c6 | |
| 8. e5 Ne5 | 17. Qa4 Rc5 | 26. Qb3 gh5 | |
| 9. Ne5 ba4 | 18. h4 Nd5 | 27. Bb2 c5 | |

On it's 29th move KG ran out of time in the tournament mode. However look at the game it played. That's O.K., I'll get it next time!!!

First Annual Chinese Festival

The Multicultural Enhancement Committee and the Student Life Division are presenting a Chinese Festival on Thursday, April 7. Prizes will be awarded. Fun and activities will include:

11:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Table Tennis (Ping Pong) Tournament
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7:30 p.m. - 10:30 p.m. Ballroom Dance
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WHAT'S EATING GILBERT GRAPE?

by Mary Bernat

You're where you are because it's where you want to be. You're where you are because you haven't gotten to where you're going. You're where you are because you have nowhere else to go.

Gilbert Grape believes he has nowhere else to go. He's a responsible young adult in what might seem to be a dysfunctional family in a small, dysfunctional town.

His mother, left a widow when his father hung himself, has ballooned to around 500 pounds and can't do anything but dictate orders from her throne in front of the television. One of his sisters fancies herself a cook but is

Gilbert Grape Squashes Competition

out of work since she caused a fire on her last job. His teenage sister is insolent. His developmentally challenged younger brother, Arnie, is a challenge to them all. And they love each other to death.

About the only way to leave Endora, Iowa is to die. And the local undertaker is in a funk because no one seems to be doing that.

Gilbert works as a clerk in the local grocery store, whose owner is sweating the competition from the super store that's opened on the outskirts of town. Gilbert makes special deliveries to the hot wife of the town's insurance broker who chose him over the other young men in town because she knew he would never leave. He bathes and protects 18-year-old Arnie who, as a natural climber, seems to be the only person going anywhere, even if it's merely up the town's water tank.

Gilbert Grape is good. When you're as good as he is, people expect more of you than they expect of themselves. He's cooped up by the

weight of all the responsibilities he carries. And when he meets a girl from the outside, he's so stuck in his rut he doesn't see her as the window to the world she is.

This film takes care to develop it's characters, which made me care about them. Johnny Depp, with his wonderfully expressive face, plays Gilbert. Juliette Lewis, a gangly Tom Hanks look-alike, plays Becky, the new girl in town who is the antithesis of Gilbert. She and her grandmother have paused in town during their travels while the International Scout that tows their Airstream trailer awaits a part. She's warm, open and free while Gilbert is warm, open and trapped.

Leonardo DiCaprio's performance as Arnie has earned him an Oscar nomination for best supporting actor. Some critics felt he had a good chance of winning, based on the theory that an able-bodied/minded actor who convincingly portrays a disabled person wins an Oscar, citing Al Pacino (*Scent Of A Woman*) and Dustin Hoffman (*Rainman*) in support.

However, DiCaprio was beat out by Tommy Lee Jones for his work in *"The Fugitive."*

Arnie is lovable and exasperating at the same time. He relishes the attention from the crowd that gathers during his frequent climbs up the ladder of the water tank, quite unlike the embarrassment his mother feels at the side-show atmosphere she creates when she makes a rare trip outdoors after Arnie gets in trouble for making it all the way to the top of the tower.

The underlying theme of this movie, that "we're not going anywhere," rings throughout the dialog. It's reinforced when Gilbert's mom, played by Darlene Cates, says she's happy where she is. But we know she isn't, and eventually she realizes it too. As much as we all desire contentment, it's only in its pursuit that we move ahead.

It's better to believe you're on your way to somewhere else. Nothing is worse than having nowhere else to go.



Finally...Some Relief For The Bosnians

NEWS & ANALYSIS

by T. Dean Fidan

After nearly two and a half years of indecision, the world community, and the West in particular, seem unanimous in ending the war in former Yugoslavia. Relief convoys arrived in Maglaj this week, protected by NATO planes and helicopters that kept a close watch over the besieged town, while relief workers distributed food and boosted Maglaj's morale by holding a soccer game. The U.N. convoys had to literally push their way through the Serb-held lines to deliver the much needed food and the long awaited moral relief for the city.

This is the second time that the U.N. has effectively saved another major Bosnian population from devastation. Sarajevo was the first, where the Serb gunners, in their now very familiar military tactics, had initially surrounded the city, and then bombarded it mercilessly for nearly two years, backing out last month only under the threat of NATO air strikes.

However, according to news reports, it was the last weekend's diplomatic maneuvering, vigorously

promoted by the Clinton administration, which set the stage for the peace process to go forward not only in words as in the past, but now also in deeds as well albeit incrementally. For the U.S. State Department, the Russian Foreign Ministry, and the European Community finally managed to bring at least two of the warring sides in Bosnia's gruesome threeway conflict — the Croats and the Muslims — to come to a negotiated settlement in Washington. The third party to the conflict, the Serbs, who have captured seventy percent of the land, are still stalling out of the deal so far, but they are also making some token promises. All parties concerned are taking such Serb gestures with a heavy dose of skepticism, since the Serbs have repeatedly reneged on their promises in the past. And since the Serb offers are coming from such figures as President Slobodan Milosevic of Serbia and his surrogate Radovan Karadzic, leader of the Serb held territories in Bosnia. Both men are considered to be war criminals, and are accused by the West for masterminding the ethnic cleansing campaign, which has claimed 200,000 Muslim lives in Bosnia and created 3 million refugees in the entire region.

Nevertheless, due mainly to these Western diplomatic and military pressures exerted on the Serbs, an uneasy calm has returned to some parts of Bosnia, only very recently considered beyond the U.N.'s reach. The Washington agreement, signed by the Presidents Alija Izetbegovic of BosniaHerzegovina and Franco Tudjman of Croatia, calls for a confederated central government with provisions for cantoned (districted) autonomous ethnic units. The details are still being worked out but the prospects for its implementation look very good according to reports. At least all three sides are once again talking instead of fighting.

Despite these partial good tidings, experts on former Yugoslavia are still maintaining their cautious optimism. While (2 million) Slovenians, (5 million) Croats, (5 million) Bosnians, and (2 million) Macedonians have achieved their independence and are recognized by the U.N. as state members, the rump state of Yugoslavia is left with the republics of (9 million) Serbia and Montenegro, that are governed by extreme nationalists. And the prospects for the escalation and the spread of the Bosnian conflict elsewhere in the region remain a distinct possibility. For example, 2.5

million Albanians of Kosova, who have been brutally suppressed by the Serb military for more than fifty years, and who have until now sought to regain their independence by means of passiveresistance from their Serb occupiers, may in desperation also opt to fight their way out from the rump state of Yugoslavia. That possibility worries everyone in the Balkans as well as Europe. Since it would draw in Albania, Macedonia, Greece, Turkey, and Bulgaria, once again reigniting another monstrous Balkan War, with massive human and material destruction, much worse than the one seen in Bosnia.

Can some sort of political sobriety for once return to the Balkans and help avoid a future catastrophe, while at the same time convincing all the parties to the disputes to learn from their mistakes? If the past is any indication of the future in former Yugoslavia, the answer from an expert point of view would have to be negative. But the recent Western interventions, especially the Clinton initiative, may hold some hope for optimism. Another cause for optimism may come by way of words, from children like Zlata Filipovic, 13, who was in Chicago last week, and whose *Diary: A Child's Life in Sarajevo*, offers some

innocent wisdom which is well worth noting by the catalysts of the war in BosniaHerzegovina. She looked far ahead into the future as she reflected on her diary:

"I think it's better for children. It tells them how adults are a little stupid, and didn't think before the war," she said. "I hope it helps [kids] become better adults. To stop the war, and never have another war."

On that same topic of the war in Bosnia, The Chicago Athenaeum (The Museum of Architecture and Design), is holding an exhibition until April 16, 1994, depicting the destruction of "Sarajevo and Mostar" in pictures and documentation, with a somewhat similar message for the adults of this world:

"After the mass destruction of Europe only 50 years ago, not much has been learned or remembered in terms of the lives of people and the fate of cities in which people live... that war threatens the continued survival of human civilization and the architectural landmarks that exemplify our world culture."

It is just too bad that the Serbs in Belgrade have to learn these lessons by means of a U.N. and/or NATO threat and not through an ageless force of conviction contained in those words.

Gardening Tips

by Cindylce Torres



March 20 marked the first day of Spring, but there are a few more weeks before all of us with the green thumb disease can get our dose of the gardening cure. Those of you who are walking around with trowel in hand waiting, I offer a solution until you can get out and play in the dirt.

Now is the perfect time to plan your garden or flower bed. Take a look at your yard, draw a little sketch of it, then decide what you want where. When deciding on the location of your plants remember how much sun that particular area will receive, so that you don't put a sunny plant in a shady spot and vice versa. There is a plenitude of gardening magazines available at this time of year that can also give you information on what mature plants will look like, how

tall they will be, where they should be planted, etc. This information will aid you in your planning.

After you have decided what will go where, it's time to head for your nearest garden center or nursery. With your sketch as your guide choose your seeds. When picking out seeds be sure to read the back of the packet; some seeds may be planted directly in your bed while others should be started indoors. To insure that I got the seeds I wanted for when I needed them, I purchased both types. Don't forget to include bulbs in your selection, they may be planted in the spring or fall, are low maintenance and bloom every year. Your past experience can also help in your choices. Ask yourself: was the plant difficult to grow, or did you like the way it looked? If you've had past problems in either areas, make another choice.

Now that you have made your selections, you want to start your indoor seeds. Starting seeds is not difficult and I find a great deal of satisfaction from growing things from seeds. At the

store where you purchased your seeds, there should be a large variety of things to help you grow them. Instead of purchasing a readymade plastic greenhouse, I choose to make my own cheaper version with a tray and plastic wrap. I purchase peat pots, not only because they are cheaper than the plastic ones, but the seedling can be planted directly into the ground, therefore making them environmentally friendly. The last thing to purchase is a good quality seed starting mix, except for the brand name, I found these to all be the same.

Now that you have the equipment you need, it's time to play in the dirt. I start with the seed mix. It is usually dry, so I put it in a large container and mix it with water. Add enough water so that the mix is damp but not muddy. Take some mix in your hand and squeeze it. If it makes a clump, your mix is ready. Take the prepared soil and fill a peat pot with it, packing it down. With your little finger make a small indentation in the center of the soil, place two seeds in hole and cover it with the mix. I use

two seeds to insure that at least one will grow. The directions on the back of the packet will guide you as to how deep to plant the seed. Be careful to follow the directions because if the seed is planted too deep, it may have trouble growing, if it grows at all. Put the finished peat pot in the tray and continue the process until the tray is filled. Once you have filled the tray cover it with plastic wrap, or if you have bought the plastic greenhouse, put the lid on. Keep the trays in a warm place. Some professionals suggest the top of the refrigerator. I have so many trays I use my utility room, which is the warmest

room in the house; the warmth is more important than the sunlight at this point. Depending on the seeds, you should see results within a week. After the seeds have sprouted and you have seedlings, remove the plastic or lid from the tray to avoid any mold or fungus from growing and killing your seedlings.

Your seedlings should now receive sunlight. I place mine in the early morning and late afternoon sun, with filtered light in between. By doing this I avoid the hotter sunlight that may burn up my plants. Your seedlings are very delicate at this stage and it is important for them not to dry out, which is what they will do now that the plastic has been removed and they are receiving sunlight. I use a medicine dropper to water my seedlings. Just fill it and squirt each plant. Some professionals use root watering methods, in which they put the water in the tray and let the roots absorb it. This method doesn't work for me; my plants never receive enough water. Water and sunlight are not the only things the amateur gardener has to worry about. Your seedlings also need to be protected from curious kitties. Not only do they love to eat the tender little tidbits, but they may also step on the delicate sprouts and kill them. Always place your starters out of harm's way.

Starting seedlings is just one way to cure that itchy green thumb until the weather warms up. Seedlings are also a cheaper solution to the more expensive established plants that garden centers offer later on in spring. Don't be discouraged, the warmer weather will soon be here. One major benefit you have to look forward to is that, later on in the heat of summer, when your yard is in full bloom and your garden is producing a bounty of vegetables you can say: "I did it myself."

Answers To The Polygon Puzzle

1. There were six handshakes.
2. From youngest to oldest, it was Amy, Beth, Jo, and Meg.
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HORROR-SCOPES

by Stella

Aries: March 21 to April 19
Health-conscious Aries natives should realize that one trip to the doctor won't kill you. It usually takes more than one.

Taurus: April 20 to May 20
Sharp-tongued Taureans should watch for packages in the mail. (Be sure to dunk ticking boxes in water before opening.)

Gemini: May 21 to June 21
Fence-sitting Geminis should break down and commit to something at last. Or risk being pushed off.

Cancer: June 22 to July 22
Grouchy Cancerians should check their attitude. Remember, crabs are only good with butter and lemon.

Leo: July 23 to August 22
Regal Leos should learn to yield the spotlight to others when need be. Or you could be forced to abdicate.

Virgo: August 22 to Sept. 22
Fastidious Virgos should be mindful of their effect on others. We all know who wrote "wash me" on the hoods of our cars.

Libra: Sept. 23 to Oct. 22
Fair-minded Librans should take a break from endless debating of the facts. We're all tired and we're going home.

Scorpio: Oct. 23 to Nov. 21
Virile Scorpions who indulge in office flirtations could get caught with their pants down. Not a pleasant sight.

Sagittarius: Nov. 22 to Dec. 21
Tactless Sagittarians will find it even easier than usual to step in it. Wearing b-i-g boots won't really help.

Capricorn: Dec. 22 to Jan. 19
Ambitious Capricorns ought to get a glimpse of themselves as they "brownnose" the boss. Disgusting isn't it?

Aquarius: Jan. 20 to Feb. 18
Spacey Aquarians will come into their own during the relaxed warm months ahead. (It's time to take down what's left of your Xmas tree.)

Pisces: Feb. 19 to March 20
Intuitive Pisceans should be careful of revealing too much to others. It's usually much more than they deserve to know.

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